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INSPECTION

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1. IN CONVERSATION ON GOP NOTE REGARDING POSSIBLE U.S.
PRE-CLEARANCE ARRANGEMENT IN MANILA, DFA OFFICER CLARIFIED
SENTENCE IN NOTE THAT "SUCH AN ARRANGEMENT IS NOW BEING
DONE..." THIS REFERS TO U.S. CUSTOMS AND IMMIGRATION
CLEARANCES IN CANADA FOR FLIGHTS BOUND FOR THE UNITED
STATES, A PRACTICE WHICH GOP AND PAL WOULD LIKE TO HAVE
INSTITUTED IN MANILA. FYI. WE UNDERSTAND THAT SUCH U.S.
PRE-CLEARANCE TAKES PLACE AT 12 POINTS IN CANADA, NASSAU
AND THE BERMUDAS. ALSO THERE IS A U.S. CUSTOMS REP
ALREADY ASSIGNED TO SUBIC TO SUPERVISE CUSTOMS CLEARANCE
OF U.S. MILITARY PASSENGERS AND HEREBOUND FOR THE U.S.

2. IN SEPARATE CONVERSATION, RALPH IGOA, EXECUTIVE VP OF
PAL, TOLD ECON/COMMERCIAL COUNSELOR THAT PAL FINDS TWO
HOUR LAYOVER IN HONOLULU BURDESOME TO AIRLINE AND
PASSENGERS. ALL BAGS HAVE TO BE OFFLOADED, INSPECTED,
AND THEN RELOADED. DELAYS SOMETIMES EXTEND BEYOND
SCHEDULED TWO-HOUR LAYOVER. IT WAS THUS HIS INITIATIVE
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TO HAVE GOP ASK USG TO INSTITUTE PRE-CLEARANCE ARRANGE-

MENT IN MANILA.
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